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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated November 14, 2003, Applicant responds to the restriction requirement as follows:

In the Restriction Requirement the claims were divided into two groups.

Group I. Claims 1-9, drawn to a transmission system for controlling the transmission of a multiplexed signal via a path; and

Group II. Claims 10-14, drawn to an optical communication system for transmission of WDM signals from a WDM sending means to a WDM receiving means.

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-9, for further prosecution on the merits.

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